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5. [redacted] Queried William Darden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, about the origin of Senator Russell's question yesterday regarding possible new developments in the Paris negotiations. Darden explained that Senator Russell had been queried on this by Senator Dirksen who apparently had picked up a rumor on the subject and wanted to know if Russell could confirm or clarify. Darden was unable to throw any light on the original source of the rumor.

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6. [redacted] Talked with Mr. Robert Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff, who requested advice for the Chairman concerning the reported pressure by the Soviets on the government of Finland and whether there might be any similarity to the pressures on Czechoslovakia prior to the takeover. Mr. Michaels noted that press reports seemed to play up the Kosygin visit. He noted that this is not a matter of real concern but only of interest at this time.

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7. [redacted] Received a call from Vincent Augliere, Chief, Foreign Operations, House Subcommittee on Foreign Operations and Government Information. Mr. Augliere advised that Chairman Moss had called from the West Coast requesting advice or information for a young friend at Brigham Young University concerning the "internal service of the Soviet Union penal system", how it functions, and what it is called. Apparently what the Chairman feels is needed would be background and reference materials that could be forwarded to the individual. Restricted information would be of no help. I advised Mr. Augliere that I was sure we would not be able to assist in this instance but I would relay his request.

Mr. Augliere advised he had again had lunch with Boris Sedov, Second Secretary of the Soviet Embassy, and that Mr. Sedov had been by sometime in the immediate past and introduced a senior official of Tass from New York to Mr. Moss. Mr. Augliere advised that he did not like the way these visits were going and requested such advice as could be provided concerning Mr. Sedov. Mr. Augliere will furnish a copy of his memorandum of conversation today with Mr. Sedov.